

# THE OFFICE OF CLEAN ENERGY DEMONSTRATIONS



Western Region Long-Duration Energy Storage Regional Briefing 10/02/2023

Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations U.S. Department of Energy



# Welcome!

# **Welcome & Meeting Objectives**

- The Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED) at DOE recently announced the selection of nine long-duration energy storage projects, which include at seven locations in the western region of the country
- We at DOE wanted to connect to help clarify our process and the opportunities to plug in and help shape your community's energy future
- Engage with DOE and the commercial partners involved in these longduration energy storage demonstration projects



### **Introductions**



Emmanuel Taylor
Facilitator



Juan Alvarez, LDES Program Manager, Project Management, OCED



Marcela Mulholland, Stakeholder Engagement Lead - LDES, Engagement Office, OCED



# **Opening Remarks**

# **Agenda**

- 5:00 5:05 | Welcome
- 5:05 5:10 | Opening Remarks
- 5:10 5:15 | OCED 101
- 5:15 5:20 | LDES Overview
- 5:20 5:25 | Community Benefits Plan Overview
- 5:25 5:55 | Project-Specific LDES Overview
- 5:55 6:00 | Next Steps & Opportunities for Engagement
- 6:00 6:25 | Feedback Session
- 6:25-6:30 | Wrap-Up & Close



<sup>\*</sup>Times are in PT



# **OCED Overview**

# **OCED Mission**

Deliver clean energy technology demonstration projects at scale in partnership with the private sector to accelerate deployment, market adoption, and the equitable transition to a decarbonized energy system.



### **OCED Mandate**



#### SCALE EQUITABLE, CLEAN ENERGY

Help enable 100% clean electricity by 2035 and net zero emissions by 2050 through an equitable energy transition



# UNLOCK NEW INVESTMENT

Unlock and scale trillion-dollar clean energy follow on investment from the private sector and other sources of capital



#### DE-RISK TECHNOLOGY

Maintain risk-based, balanced, and defensible portfolio of investments



# SERVE AS CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Serve as primary DOE office to deliver full scale clean energy demonstration projects and project management oversight excellence



# ENGAGE & COLLABORATE

Leverage private sector and broader energy ecosystem to inform OCED and DOE technology commercialization efforts



# **OCED Scope**



Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs (\$8 billion)



Long-Duration Energy Storage Demonstrations (\$505 million)



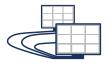
Advanced Reactor Demonstrations (\$2.5 billion)



Energy Improvements in Rural or Remote Areas (\$1 billion)



Carbon Management (\$7 billion)



Clean Energy Demonstrations on Mine Land (\$500 million)



Industrial Demonstrations (\$6.3 billion)



Other Initiatives (\$133 million)



# Long-Duration Energy Storage (LDES)

# Why Long Duration Energy Storage

### Cheaper, longer energy storage can:



Support the **expansion of renewables** like solar
and wind by providing
stability, flexibility, and
optionality to the grid



Reduce the need for new fossil fuel capacity by firming renewables



Enhance resiliency of the grid and at critical facilities (e.g., hospitals, affordable housing) during extreme weather and other disruptive events



**Diversify** the domestic energy storage **supply chain** 

### **Overview**

- As we move towards a power grid that relies on more variable energy, the need for LDES is critically important.
  - Of the 1,325 current energy storage projects in North America, only 25 (or 2%) have duration of over 10 hours.
- The projects announced last week will help increase the availability and market viability of LDES and facilitate the deployment of clean, reliable energy across the nation.
  - The nine (9) projects selected for award negotiation include collaborations among communities and businesses, tribal nations, utility providers, hospitals, clean tech entrepreneurs, labor unions and retirement communities.





**Energy Storage:** The capture of energy produced at one time for use later to reduce imbalances between energy demand and energy production.

**LDES:** Energy storage systems capable of delivering electricity for 10 hours or longer.

#### **OCED's LDES Demonstrations:**

Aims to fund projects that will overcome the technical and institutional barriers that exist for full-scale deployment with a focus on a range of different technology types for a diverse set of regions.

#### Current Status:

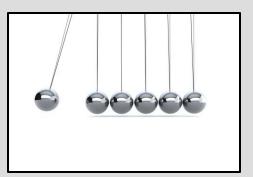
 September 22, 2023: <u>DOE announced</u> <u>nine projects selected for award</u> <u>negotiations.</u>

# **Types of LDES Technology Selected**

#### **Mechanical**

Compressed carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) energy storage

• Stores electric energy in the form of potential energy (compressed CO<sub>2</sub>).



#### **Thermal**

Sensible heat storage

 Turns grid electricity into heat using large-scale heat pumps. Heat is stored and used to generate power when needed.



#### **Electrochemical**

#### Flow batteries

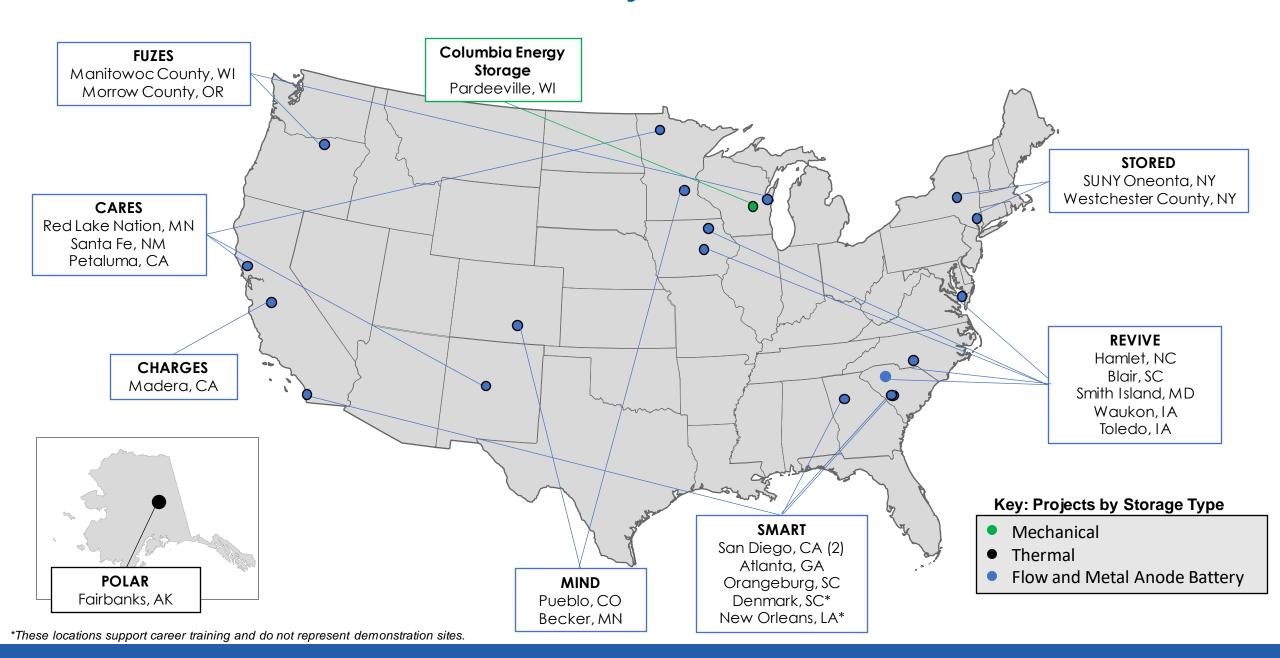
 Uses liquid positive and negative electrode material stored in tanks. Fluids flow past reaction site to produce power. Effectively decouples energy and power.

#### Non-flow batteries

 Similar to a car, phone, or rechargeable AA batteries.

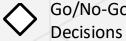


# **Selected Project Locations**



# **Phased Approach to Project Management**





**Application** 



Phase 1: Detailed Plan



Phase 2: Project Development



Phase 3: Install, Integrate, Construct



**Pre-DOE funding** Up to 50%

**TBD DOE funding** Up to 50% **12-18 months** 

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# **Community Benefits Plans**

# **Prioritizing Community Benefits in OCED Projects**

OCED **requires** applicants to include a Community Benefits Plan (CBP) to help ensure broadly shared prosperity in the clean energy transition.

By **prioritizing community benefits**, we can ensure the next chapter in America's energy story is marked by greater justice, equity, security, and resilience.

# Community & Labor Engagement



Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Accessibility



**Investing in the American Workforce** 

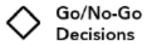


**Justice 40 Initiative** 



# Community Benefit Plans - Implementation Requirements per Phase

Selected projects move to Negotiation		Awarded projects moved to implementation Phase 1			
Application	Negotiation	Phase 1: Detailed Plan	Phase 2: Project Development	Phase 3: Install Integrate, Construct	Phase 4: Ramp-Up & Operate
Pre-DOE funding	Pre-DOE funding	~ 12-18 Months	~ 2-3 Years	~ 3-4 Years	~ 2-4 Years
CBPs are evaluated by experts according to the FOA criteria and typically scored at 20% of the total score*	Selectees enter a negotiation phase that includes improve- ments to CBP required for award	<ul> <li>CBPs are implemented during each phase and updated as projects progress and lessons are learned</li> <li>CBP implementation is evaluated throughout each phase, and included in go/no-go decisions between phases*</li> </ul>			

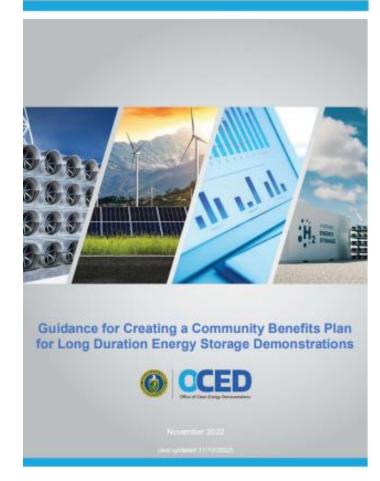




<sup>\*</sup>CBPs are considered alongside assessments of engineering, procurement, and construction; business development and management; permitting and safety; and technical data and analysis.

# **Strong CBPs**

- Demonstrate moving beyond a vision or assessment into actionable goals, outcomes, and implementation steps supported by adequate money, people, and time resources
- Include mechanisms for accountability to and transparency with impacted communities
- Propose clear metrics to measure success
- Match proposed actions to the needs and priorities of impacted communities
- Robustly address all four topic areas
- Minimize and mitigate negative impacts and harm, especially to already overburdened communities
- Create good-paying jobs, equitable access, and invest in workforce development



OCED FOA CBP Guidance docs available with each FOA at:

https://oced-exchange.energy.gov/





# Project Overviews

# **Communities Accessing Resilient Energy Storage (CARES)**

- Prime: ReJoule
- Location(s): Red Lake Nation (Minnesota), New Mexico, California
- LDES Technology: Second Life EV Batteries
- Highlights:
  - Makes use of retired batteries from electric vehicles.
  - Provides demand reduction, load shifting, and resilience at two affordable housing complexes and a Red Lake Tribal Nation tribal workforce development campus
  - Engages a nonprofit to build career pathways in clean energy technology for youth, women, and individuals





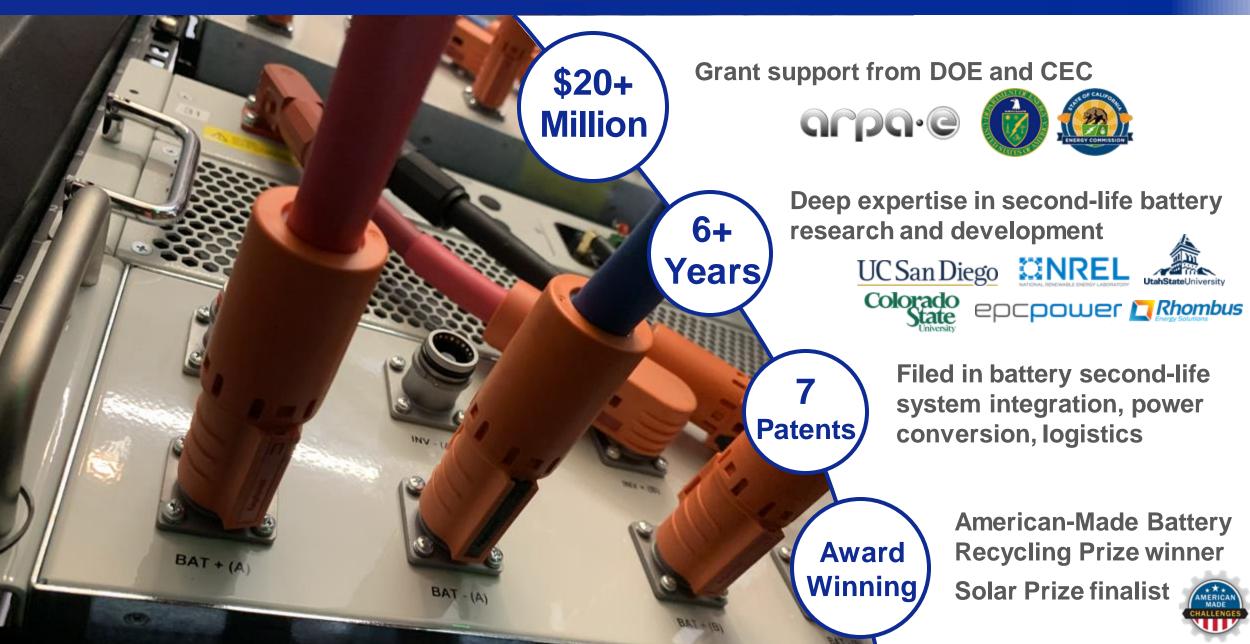
LONG-DURATION ENERGY
STORAGE USING REPURPOSED
EV BATTERIES

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OCED Regional Briefing – LDES Awards
October 2, 2023

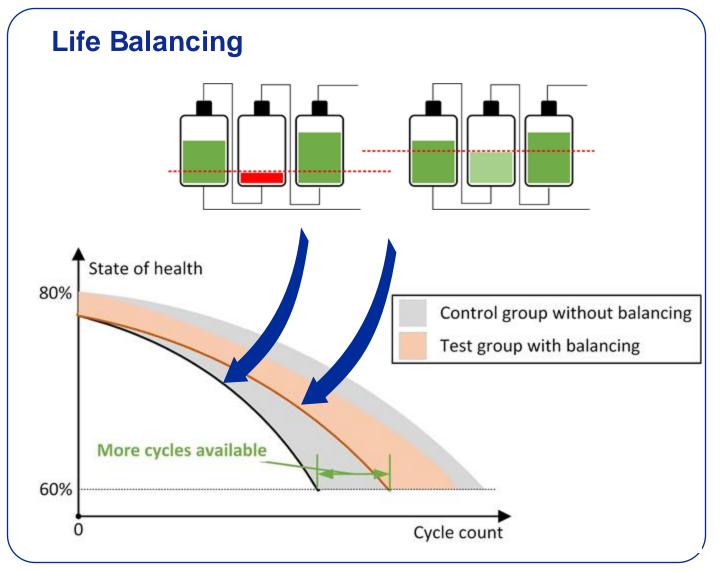
# **Smartville Inc. Founded in 2019**



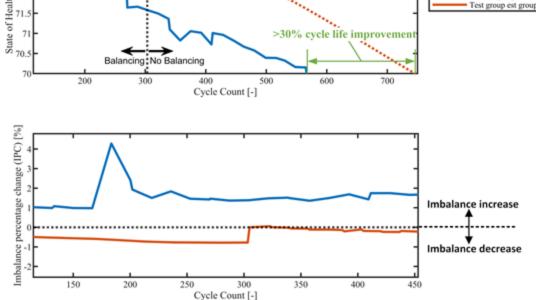




### **Giving Used EV Batteries a Second-Life**



#### **Test Verification**



Minimize capacity imbalances among units with minimal pack capacity reduction.

# LDES Project Locations and Partners



#### All Six Proposed Project Sites Located in Justice 40 Areas



ORANGEBURG, SC

(1) 200kW/2000kWh LDES Deployment Site













**DENMARK, SC** 

(1) Small Scale LDES **Educational Outreach Site** 





#### **NEW ORLEANS, LA**

(1) Small Scale LDES **Educational Outreach Site** 





#### ATLANTA, GA

(1) 100kW/1000kWh LDES Deployment Site









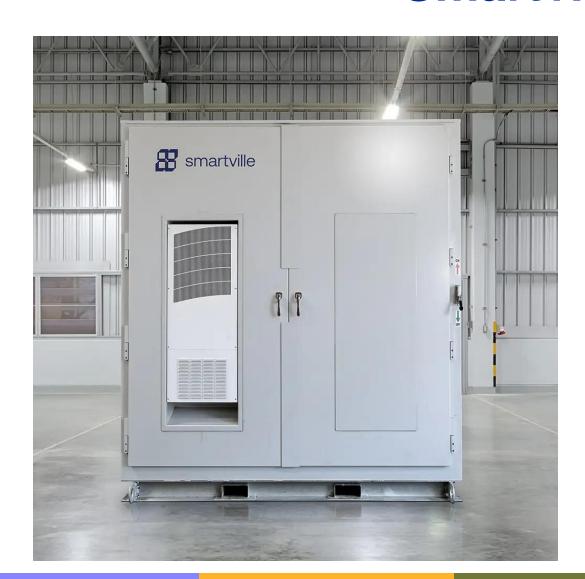
St. Stephen's

Retirement Center





# **Smartville 360<sup>™</sup>**



THE MOST SUSTAINABLE,

LOWEST-COST, AND

ENVIRONMENTALLY-FRIENDLY

BATTERY STORAGE IN THE WORLD

# **Project Team**













The HBCU Community Development Action Coalition (HBCU-CDAC), and its Clean Energy Initiative (CEI), serving as a facilitator and intermediary, has aggregated four Historically Black Colleges and Universities across two states to help expand the reach of a public-private partnership with Smartville.

**Dillard University** is a historically Black institution that cultivates leaders who live ethically, think and communicate precisely, and act courageously to make the world a better place.

**Denmark Technical College**, a rural historically black college and university located in Denmark, SC, has a strategic focus centered on "Putting the Tech Back" through its programs and collaborations.

**South Carolina State University** and neighboring sister institution **Claflin State University** are leveraging a \$40M mixed-use development. Additionally, the collaboration with HBCU-CDAC and Smartville builds on programs at SC State such as the climate-smart initiative and the James Clyburn Transportation Center funded by USDA and the Department of Transportation respectively.









#### **Luna Development Services**

- Developer of the Railroad Corner redevelopment project
- Lead the construction and installation of Smartville's Energy Storage System

#### **Endera**

- Provide an all electric shuttle bus which will be retrofitted with V2B technology to add additional resiliency to the battery system
- Offer transportation services to students and other community members

### **Renaissance Equity Partners**

- Create and implement a financing strategy to fund the Railroad Corner redevelopment project
- Facilitate community processes

# **Project Team**



St. Stephen's Retirement Center

Jean C. McKinney Manor





### St. Stephen's Retirement Center (SSRC) & Jean C. McKinney Manor

- SSRC is the first African-American owned Senior Residential facility in the state of California to be awarded a 202 HUD housing grant
- Jean C. McKinney Manor was awarded Sage Award for being the best built affordable housing complex in the nation

#### **JBM Energy Solutions**

- Project developer, installing solar+storage at the SSRC and Jean C. McKinney Manor

#### San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce

- Provide input on agreement with the IBEW Local 465 Labor Union and Construction Union of choice

# **Project Team**









#### **Southern Company Services**

Co-developer and consultant for the COX Automotive site

#### Cox Automotive

Project and community outreach site host

#### **Clark Atlanta University**

Co-create technical training programs for the Cox site, utilizing lessons learned from Clark Atlanta's lab and HBCU CDAD's lab



# Application FOA 0002867--Applicant 1733 Behind-The-Meter Non-Lithium-Ion LDES for Support of Critical Facilities in Disadvantage Communities

Mike Gravely Energy Research and Development Division California Energy Commission



# Valley Children's Hospital Microgrid Provides Critical Services to Disadvantaged Community

- Design, engineer, and build the largest LDES system for support of hospital emergency power and one of the largest tribal community LDES in the US
- Demonstrate the effectiveness of LDES microgrids to eliminate the need for conventional generation resources (diesel generators) as the standard for backup power at diverse, critical facility types in disadvantaged communities
- Document LDES performance to support emergency power during outages for a minimum 18 hours continuously and up to 96 hours in non-seismic events.
- Implement Community Outreach Plan--Demonstrate the ability of targeted deployments of large LDES systems to support Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) and Justice40 objectives including, but not limited to, directing economic, environment, and health benefits toward disadvantaged communities including tribes, as well as providing representation of these communities through a comprehensive engagement plan.
- Leverage federal and state connections to expand capabilities throughout California and the Nation

# 0002867-1733: Organizational Chart

#### **CEC**

Prime recipient
Grant Management
Pl: Mike Gravely

#### <u>Faraday</u>

Sub-recipient
Developer/General Contractor

CEO: David Bliss COO: Ryan Bliss

#### <u>RedFlow</u>

Energy Storage Supplier
CCO: Mark Higgins
VP Project Engineering and Business
Development: Paul Kelleher
Manager of Strategic Growth:
Brandon Bremer

#### <u>Sandia</u>

FFRDC/Analysis and Research
Postdoctoral Appointee: Atri Bera
Principal Member of Technical
Staff: Tu Anh Nguyen
R&D Electrical Engineer: Waylon
Clark

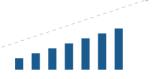
Nhu Energy
Controls Development/Integrator
CEO: Rick Meeker

#### Mazzetti

Electrical Design
CEO: Walter Vernon
Principle Electrical Engineer:
Jesse Avery
Electrical Engineer: Angelica
Chow



### **CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION**



**Advancing State Energy Policy** 



Investing in **Energy Innovation** 



Developing
Renewable Energy



Preparing for Energy Emergencies





Achieving Energy Efficiency



**Transforming Transportation** 



Overseeing
Energy Infrastructure



Intergovernmental Collaboration



# **CA Energy Commission has Over a Decade of Experience Funding Energy Storage Technologies**



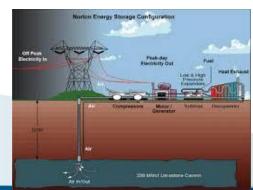




















### 0002867-1733: LDES Demonstration Community Benefits Plan

- Labor Engagement: The CEC will work with the Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group (DACAG) ensuring required community engagement, including public workshops.
- America's Workforce: In collaboration with the state workforce development and union representatives, the CEC will foster the growth and development of the current and future workforce.
- DEIA: The CEC will create a Community Engagement Team to assess underrepresented groups, collaborate with diversity stakeholders, and make recommendations for diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility intervention.
- Justice 40: Most, if not all, the benefits of the proposed energy storage work for the hospital will flow to the local disadvantaged communities, providing employment and, more importantly, increased medical services resiliency.



## Long-duration energy storage project

**Jeff Plew, Executive Director Development** 



### NextEra Energy is a clean energy leader

## NEXT**era**ENERGY

#### **Composed of two primary businesses**



#### NextEra Energy, Inc.

- Fortune 200 company<sup>1</sup>
- 95-year track record
- \$21 B operating revenue<sup>2</sup>
- 67 GW in operation <sup>3</sup>
- NYSE: NEE



#### **NextEra Energy Resources, LLC**

- World's largest generator of renewable energy from the wind and sun
- 34 GW net generating capacity<sup>2</sup>
- Operating in 40 states & Canada<sup>2</sup>



#### Florida Power and Light (FPL)

- One of the largest US electric utilities<sup>2</sup>
- 5.8 MM customer accounts<sup>2</sup>
- 31 GW net generating capacity<sup>2</sup>

- 1. Fortune's 2023 Rankings
- 2. As of 12/31/22 Annual Report 2022 Form 10-K
- 3. Gigawatts shown include assets operated by Energy Resources, including those owned by NextEra Energy Partners as of 3/31/23; excludes assets which have been sold parties but continue to be operated by Energy Resources. Investor Report 2022.



### NextEra Energy's Real Zero™ goal



Our goal is to be completely carbon emissions free by no later than 2045

1

Decarbonize our own business,

beginning with our goal to reach Real Zero emissions, without the need for carbon offsets, by no later than 2045. We've been prudently investing in decarbonizing our own operations for decades and this is an extension of our core values.

2

Decarbonize more of the U.S. power sector – investor-owned utilities, municipalities and cooperatives – through continued investments and innovation in wind, solar, storage and green hydrogen projects.

3

Lead the decarbonization of the U.S. economy – by working to become the preferred partner for customers to help them reduce or eliminate carbon emissions in their operations. We use our experts and data analytics to help our commercial and industrial customers reach their own net zero or strive to achieve Real Zero goals.

Our Real Zero™ efforts will utilize a variety of clean technologies, with long-duration energy storage playing a key role in reaching our carbon emissions free goals

### **Long-Duration Energy Storage Pilot**



NextEra Energy Resources was selected to evaluate and demonstrate the viability of non-lithium battery technology for long-duration battery energy storage systems

#### **Highlights:**

- Pilot efforts will include development and deployment of several 10-hour duration battery energy storage projects using an aqueous zinc-bromine technology.
  - The proposed battery technology is safe, non-flammable and made in the U.S. with domestically sourced materials, limiting supply chain challenges.
- Proposed deployment at several sites in the Pacific Northwest and Upper Midwest – each of which have operational wind and/or solar facilities.
  - The expected benefits include increased capacity at the point of interconnection, reductions in green-house gas emissions, enhanced grid reliability, improved utilization of renewable energy generation facilities and lower future energy costs.



### **Corporate Community Benefits Program: Building strong relationships** and supporting the communities we serve



Partnering with local technical and community colleges to advance student readiness for good paying jobs and careers in the energy sector.



(P<sub>S</sub>) **Justice 40** Initiative













Community **Engagement** 

Develop community partnerships

Listen to local stakeholders

Follow through on our corporate values



Workforce **Development** 

Renewable energy camps

Straight to work initiatives

NextFra Energy internship program



Diversity. Equity, Inclusion & **Accessibility** 

Employee Resource Groups

Veterans

Supplier diversity



Justice 40 Initiative

Increase clean energy

Increased energy resiliency

Decreased environmental burden

### **DOE Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations**

Long Duration Energy Storage Demonstration Projects
DE-FOA-0002867-1698

















### **Teaming Structure – Division of Responsibility**



#### Prime

Engineering, Procurement, Construction Support – All Phases
Technoeconomic Analysis, Lifecycle Cost Analysis, Levelized Cost of Storage – All Phases
Project Management, Controls & Reporting – All Phases



#### **Technology Provider**

Key Partner | sCO<sub>2</sub> Technology Provider Engineering, Procurement, Construction Support (sCO<sub>2</sub> Equipment & Auxiliaries) – All Phases



#### **Independent Industry Reviewer**

Provide independent assessment of LDES efforts – All Phases
Support technoeconomic analyses and technical reviews, lead independent testing
Voice of industry collaboration



#### Investor

Supporter of non-battery LDES with interest in future deployments

Providing 3<sup>rd</sup> party cost share in Phase 1 with anticipated investment in future phases



#### Construction Contractor | CBP Management

Alaska Native Corporation (ANC), demonstrated history of successful projects throughout Alaska Experienced Engineering & Construction Contractor for major energy projects

Construct ability Reviews, Planning, Permitting, Construction Installation, Commissioning & Start-up

Community Benefits Plan development & implementation



#### **Utility & Commercial Partner**

LDES Owner/Operator responsible for project siting, financing & power agreements















### **How Does a PTES System Work?**

# An sCO<sub>2</sub> heat pump and heat engine transform energy between electricity and heat

#### What is Supercritical $CO_2$ (s $CO_2$ )?

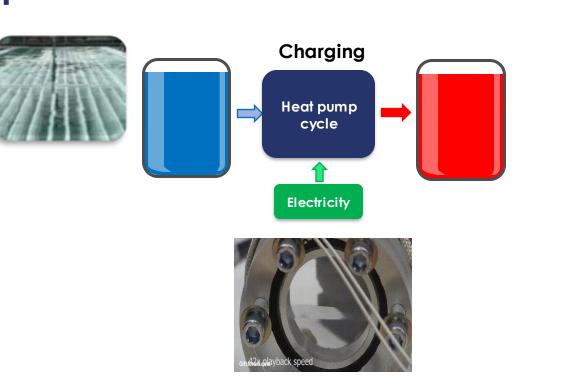
- Supercritical state of matter exists above a material's "critical point"; a function of temperature and pressure
- In this state, the material has properties of both a gas and liquid →
  One might visualize it as a "squishy liquid" or "thick gas"

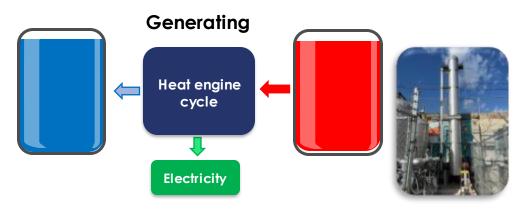
#### Charging Cycle (Heat Pump)

- sCO<sub>2</sub> heat pump cycle uses electrical power to move heat from a cold thermal reservoir (ice) to a hot thermal reservoir (oil and concrete)
- Stores energy as "thermal potential" temperature difference between reservoirs
- By using a heat pump to charge the system, high RTE is obtained with lowcost, moderate-temperature thermal reservoirs

#### **Generating Cycle (Heat Engine)**

- sCO<sub>2</sub> heat engine (power) cycle uses thermal potential stored between reservoirs to generate electrical power
- Technology leverages 15 years of DOE-sponsored R&D and Echogen experience in sCO<sub>2</sub> power cycles
- Generating and charging cycle may be sized independently







# A Unique Solution for a Growing Energy Need How PTES Benefits Medium and Long Duration Storage Needs

Engineered to fill the storage gap to accelerate decarbonization		
Low Cost	Offers a lower levelized cost than currently available technology – capex, opex and end-of-life	
Scalable	No topographical or geologic dependencies; can be built anywhere with a fully domestic supply chain	
Flexible	Modular solution that can uniquely serve high power needs at both medium and long GWh durations (8 hours to days).  Provides grid inertia and other ancillary services unlike batteries.	
Proven Components	Owing to its optimized operating temperature, much of the PTES system is based in existing experience. Most components are either "off-the-shelf" or derivative of existing components.	
Minimal Degradation	Longest asset life. Unlike lithium or chemical batteries, power generation equipment has no loss in capacity or capability over time.	
Sustainable	No chemical, fire or safety risks; Uniquely capable of utilizing waste materials (i.e., coal fly ash); Long asset operational lifespan; low carbon footprint and fully recyclable at end-of-life	



Nominal system size 1,200 MWh 1,200 MWh footprint < 23,000 m² (6 acre)

Total Cost of Ownership Compared to li-ion (\$/kWh) 20 years

100MW/1200MWh System	PTES
Overnight Capital	<60%
Capex (replace cells)	0%
O&M	<60%
Round Trip Efficiency (RTE)	50-60%
Total ownership cost	<50% of li-ion



### **Community Benefits – Impacts**

#### **Positive Impacts**

#### Location, Location

- · Existing coal plant land and infrastructure
- Preserve local jobs
- · Military, mining, education, tourism

#### **Environmental**

- EPA non-attainment area- where air pollution levels persistently exceed the national ambient air quality standards
- Improve air quality via reduction of coal and oil-fired power generation
- · Reduced carbon emissions

#### Justice 40

- Fairbanks, Healy and the Native Village of Cantwell: Justice 40 communities
   significant local content to deliver project
- The vast majority of ASRC shareholders live in Alaska, and about half of ASRC shareholders live within Justice 40 communities across the North Slope

#### **Negative Impacts**

 The negative impacts of this project are expected to be minimal, with potential traffic and roadway modification during construction.



Winter in Fairbanks Alaska. Photo Credit: Daily News-Miner









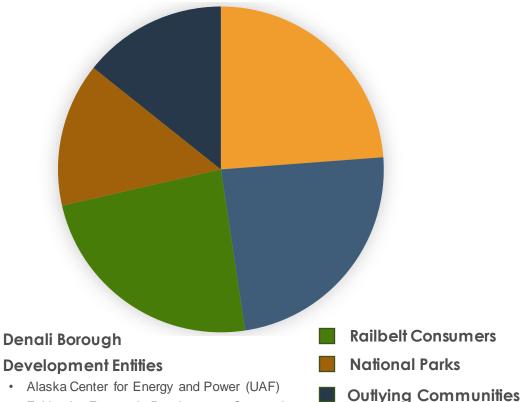






### **Community Benefits – Outreach & Engagement**

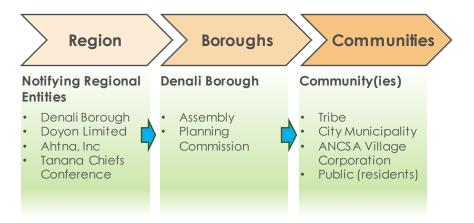
#### **Establish Project Advisory Committee**



- Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation
- Denali and Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce
- Alaska Energy Authority

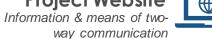
- - · Fairbanks North Star Borough
  - · Native Village of Cantwell
  - · City of Anderson

#### Regulatory Stakeholder Engagement



#### **Outreach Methods**

#### **Project Website**







**Mailing List** 

#### **Townhalls**

Utilize existing Borough structure





#### National Park Service

Renewables within the Arctic Education demonstrations and discussions for all ages





















# MULTIDAY STORAGE AT SCALE FOR FIRM RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY

DE-FOA-0002867 - Long Duration Energy Storage Demonstrations, Topic 2C: Multiday LDES Demonstrations (24+ hours)

October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

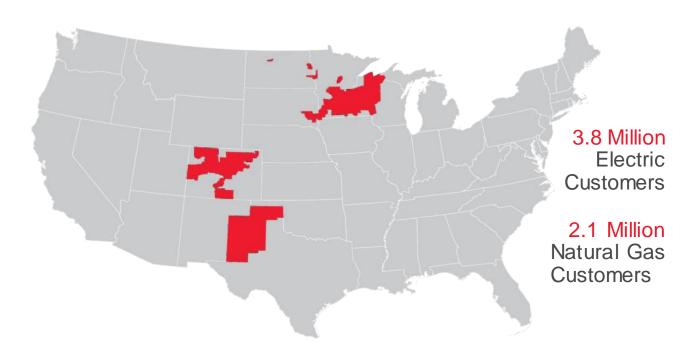
Kathryn Valdez

AVP, Corporate Planning and Carbon Free Technology Strategy kathryn.valdez@xcelenergy.com

### **Project Overview**

Deploy Multiday Storage (MDS) Systems, 10 MW / 100-hour discharge, at two retiring coal plants

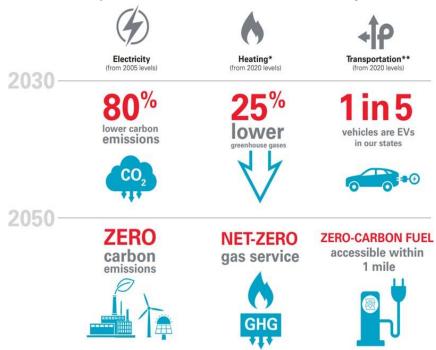
**Xcel Energy** operates in 8 states and serves our communities with over 11 GW of renewable energy. Long duration energy storage is a strategic solution to provide our customers with carbon-free electricity by 2050.



#### **Project Objectives:**

Accelerate deployment of LDES via strategic partnership, technology, & scale

Comprehensive Sustainability Goals



### **Strategic Partnership**

### Together, we can accelerate deployment of LDES at scale



Deploy & Operate

Who: Regulated utility with large renewable portfolio and aggressive decarbonization goals

What: Deploy two multiday storage systems connected to the Bulk Power System

**Role:** Project Developer and Grid Operator



Develop & Manufacture

Who: A startup leading the field of LDES

What: Scale manufacturing of iron-air batteries, TEA-LCA, collaborate on CBP

Role: Vendor (Technology provider for 100-hour duration iron-air batteries & LDES analysis software)



Value & Validate

Who: World recognized research institution delivering end-to-end leadership in battery technology, markets, workforce, and Justice40

**What:** Validate and show LDES value, collaborate on CBP

Role: Subrecipient



Transition & Grow



Who: Communities, workers, beneficiaries of clean energy

What: Provide project input & collaboration

Role: Stakeholders

### **Community Project Locations**

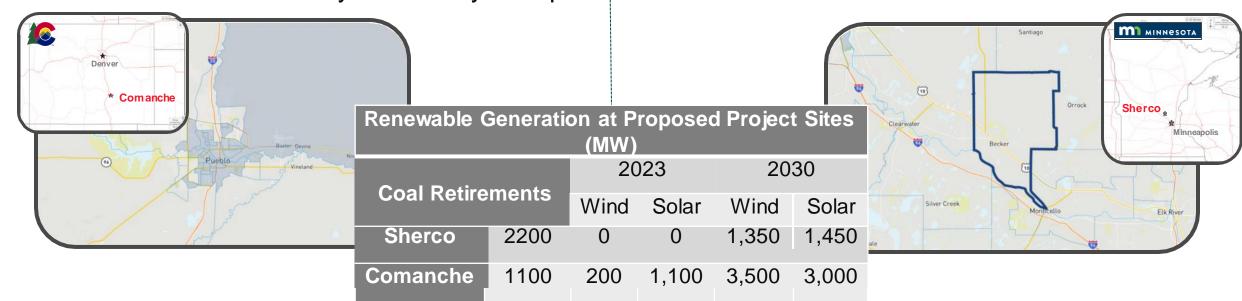
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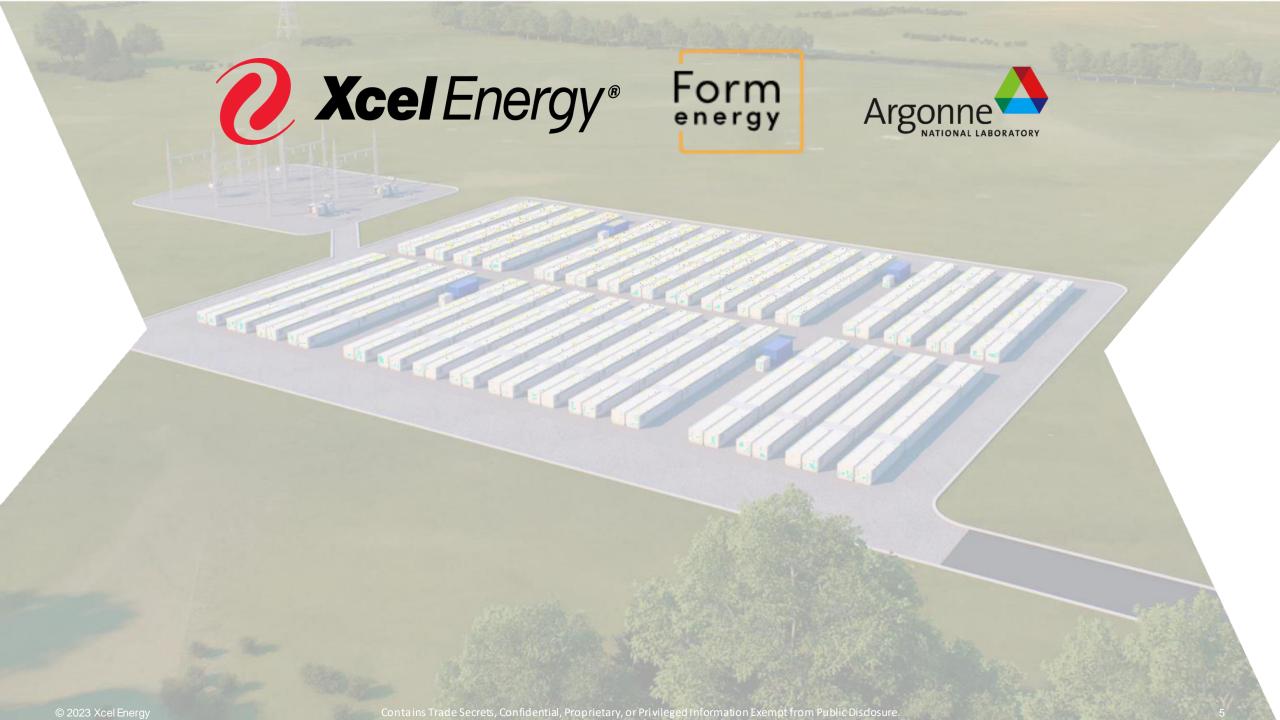
#### Pueblo, Colorado

- Population: 111,000
- Comanche 1,100 MW coal generation plant retires 2030
- Designated as a DAC
- Pueblo Generation Study & Advisory Group

#### Becker, Minnesota

- Population: 5,000
- Sherco 2,200 MW coal generation plant retires 2030
- Master Plan framework & vision for future economic development in Becker







### **Next Steps**

- Award Negotiations: DOE OCED will commence negotiations with project selectees.
- After Award: IF the projects are given an award
  - Selectees enter into cooperative agreement with DOE OCED for Phase One
  - Phase One includes Detailed Project Plans (phase anticipated to last up to a year and half)
  - Future phases subject to Go/No Go Decisions
  - OCED will work with selectees to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) where relevant
- Opportunities for Engagement:
  - Reach out to the project team in your community or OCED anytime
  - Community engagements, e.g., CBP
  - NEPA process & associated public meetings



### **National Environmental Policy Act**

- What is NEPA? NEPA is a federal law that requires agencies like DOE to assess the potential environmental impacts of projects
- **Does NEPA Apply?** DOE will complete a NEPA review for the activities and may determine that the activities fall under one of the following categories:

#### Categorical Exclusion (CX)

- Categories of actions that DOE has determined, by regulation, do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment and for which, therefore, neither an EA nor an EIS normally is required
- Categorical exclusions <u>do not</u> <u>involve public review/comment</u>, but are posted for public review once they are complete

#### **Environmental Assessment (EA)**

- A brief analysis to determine whether an EIS is required
- <u>Two public review/comment</u> periods:
- Comment period and public scoping meeting after the notification of DOE's decision to prepare an EA
- Comment period and public meeting after the EA is drafted

### Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

- A detailed statement for major federal actions significantly affecting the human environment
- <u>Two public review/comment</u> periods:
- Comment period and public scoping meeting after the notification of the DOE's decision to prepare an EIS
- Comment period and public hearing after the EIS has been drafted

NEPA Resources: OCED's NEPA Guide

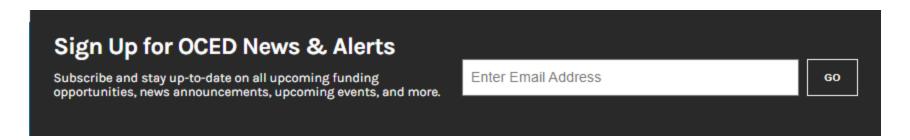




# **Q&A Session**

### For More Information

- To reach DOE OCED about the LDES projects:
  - Email: OCED\_LDES@hq.doe.gov
- Subscribe to receive OCED news and updates, including new funding opportunities – visit <a href="https://www.energy.gov/oced/">https://www.energy.gov/oced/</a> and scroll to the bottom to sign up.



### **Project Emails – Western US**

 If you have questions about specific projects, please reach out to DOE OCED via the project inbox directly:

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CHARGES	Madera, CA	CHARGES_LDES@hq.doe.gov
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### Resources

- LDES Program
  - OCED\_LDES.pdf (energy.gov)
  - LDES Selections for Award Negotiations | Department of Energy
  - Long Duration Energy Storage Pathways to Commercial Liftoff
- Justice40 Initiative
  - https://www.energy.gov/diversity/justice40-initiative
- Energy Justice Dashboard (BETA)
  - https://energyjustice.egs.anl.gov/
- Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool
  - https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov/en/#3/33.47/-97.5





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